

Re: Fw: Pathogen Data

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02/02/2012 10:33 AM

Thanks.

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Date: 02/02/2012 10:21 AM Subject: Re: Fw: Pathogen Data

Doug,

We didn't respond to Jill, but we already responded to NJDEP staff to clarify what data they are providing before I give technical direction to the contractor to analyze the data and propose a variable boundary condition for Dundee Dam. The link Marzooq provided performs a USGS search for stations that have "Passaic River" in the station name and results in 24 USGS Stations with varying period of record throughout the state. NJDEP responded that they will be more specific including polling other data sources like STORET.

So it's currently back in NJDEP's court. It's too early to direct the contractor and we should be absolutely sure NJDEP provides the data once and no more forever more so we don't keep chasing our tails.

- Antony

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Hi,

When can we discuss this with Robin? Please don't respond to Jill until we get some answers.

Tx-Doug

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I don't think you were copied on this email from Jill Lipoti.

Felix

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Date: 02/01/2012 04:39 PM Subject: Re: Pathogen Data I'm a little shocked to see that this is data readily available from the NWIS database and it had not been considered before as part of the modeling effort. Shouldn't we do a search on NWIS to look for any other applicable data? Or putting it differently, with the data available through this link, are we convinced that we now have all data with any nexus to the Harbor modeling effort? Is there any data in STORET that we have overlooked? Are there any other places where data might reside that we should check?

It would be awkward if someone found that we had not used all readily available scientific data for decision-making on this issue.

Jill

>>> Marzooq Alebus 2/1/2012 3:24 PM >>> Hi Robin,

Here are the link to all the data sampled at Passaic R upstream of Dundee:

http://nwis.waterdata.usgs.gov/nj/nwis/qwdata?search_station_nm=Passaic
River&search_station_nm_match_type=beginning&format=station_list&sort_key=sit
e_no&group_key=NONE&inventory_output=0&rdb_inventory_output=file&TZoutput=0&p
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I hope the attached data can be of some use to provide long term assessment of the boundary at Passaic R at Dundee

Pathogen indicators sampled from year 2000 to 2011:

- # 31615 Fecal coliform, EC broth method, water, most probable number per 100 milliliters
- # 31633 Escherichia coli, m-TEC MF method, water, colonies per 100 milliliters
- # 31649 Enterococci, m-E MF method, water, colonies per 100 milliliters
 # 31686 Total coliform, water, most probable number per 100 milliliters

Helen, could you please check if this is all the data we have

If you've question, please let's know

Thank you, Marco

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